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WOW! YOU SURE LET THE PRINCE HAVE IT, FRANCIS - WOT'LL WE DO WITH HIM?
OH, HE'LL COME OUT OF IT - COME ON - WE'RE GOING TO WRITE A STORY EXPOSING THIS FORTUNE-HUNTING BOWL OF BORSCHT!
9-5
GET YOUR TYPEWRITER - HERE'S WHERE I DICTATE A STORY THAT WILL COOK PRINCE OLEG IN HIS OWN "CASSEROLE"!
O.K.!
O.K., PETE - HERE'S YOUR LEAD - "IN AN OFF-THE-CUFF INTERVIEW TODAY, PRINCE OLEG CASSEROLE CLAIMED AMERICAN WOMEN WERE ONLY AS ATTRACTIVE AS THEIR BANKROLLS"...
HOLD IT, FRANCIS! WHO'S THERE?
RAP
RAP

BZZZ
ZZAWK!!
THERE'S DIRTY WORK HERE -- OUR MULE AND HIS HANDLER HAVE BEEN DOPED!
GENERAL NEWSENSE--- ARE YOU ACCUSING ME--

THAT'S AN INSULT TO THE HONOR OF FORT GLOX!
BAH! GLOX SCHMOX! I STILL SAY THEY WERE DOPED!

FRANCIS - WHAT'S ALL THIS BUSINESS ABOUT DOPE?
KEEP YOUR SHIRT ON, SONNY-- THEY'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT YOU -- THIS TIME!

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DID YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO BUY MY TRAILER?
I DIDN'T SAY IT— HE DID!
8-27

HE SAID IT?
THAT'S RIGHT!
GIVE HIM OUR CHECK, PETE—AND LET'S GET ROLLING!
CLIFF Roberson

HERE'S THE MONEY!
STOP STARING AT ME—YOU OLD GOAT!

MAW, I JUST SOLD THE TRAILER—AND THE FIRST THING I AIM TO BUY WITH THE MONEY IS A HEARING AID!
A HEARING AID?

FRANCIS! THE POLICE ARE HERE!
RELAX, YOU NINNY!
10-5
MR STIRLING?
YES — BUT I'M INNOCENT!
WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR TIPPING US OFF TO THE MILLVALE BANK ROBBERY!
HUH?
FUNNY THING — YOUR VOICE SOUNDS DIFFERENTLY THAN IT DID OVER THE TELEPHONE!

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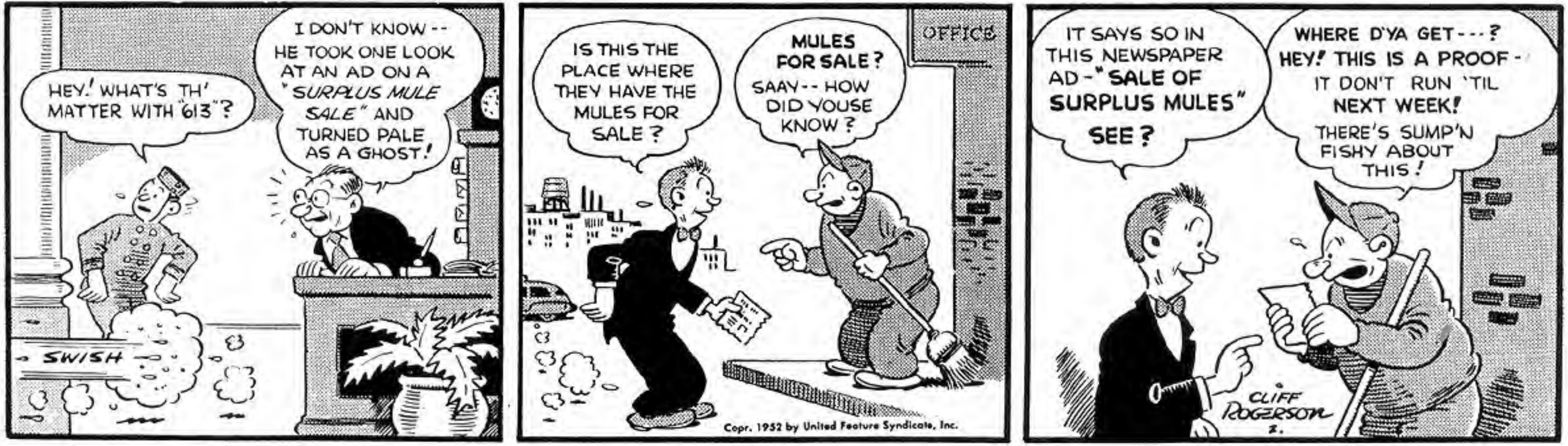

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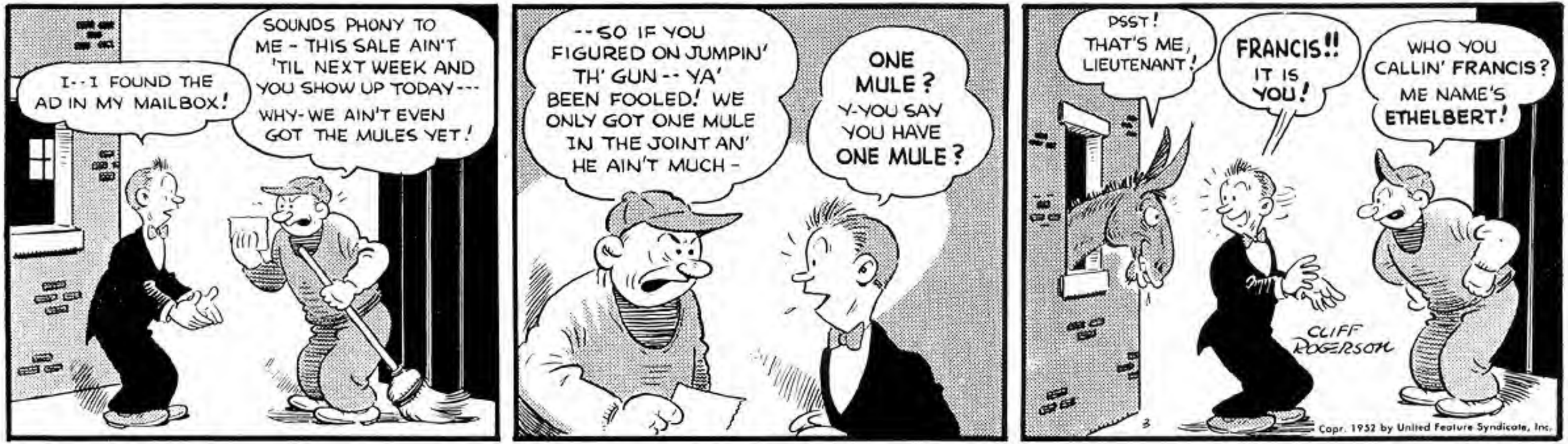

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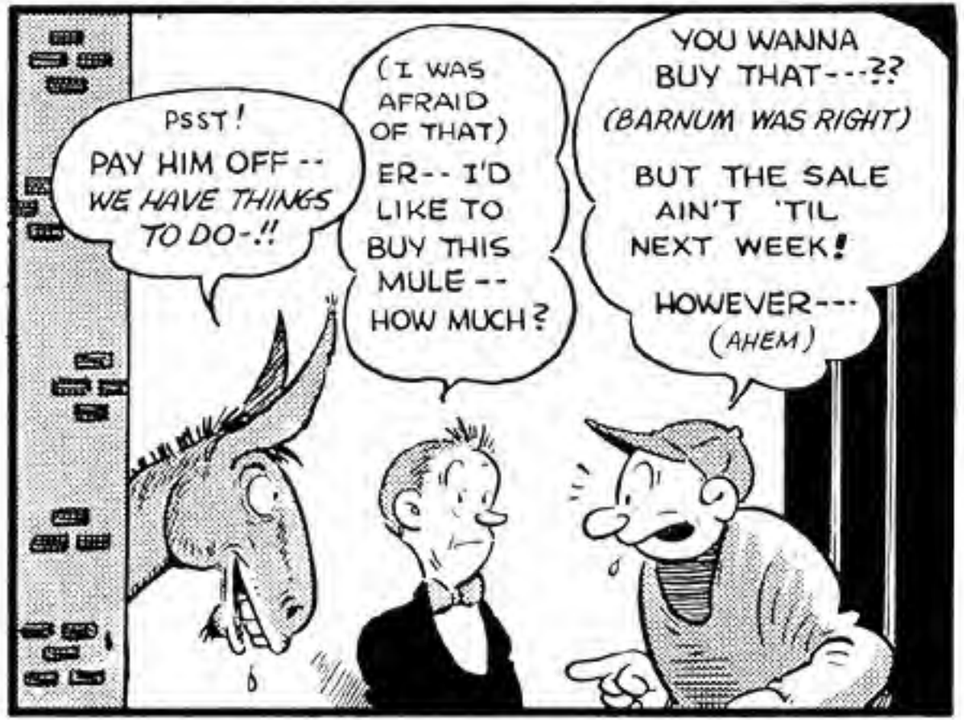

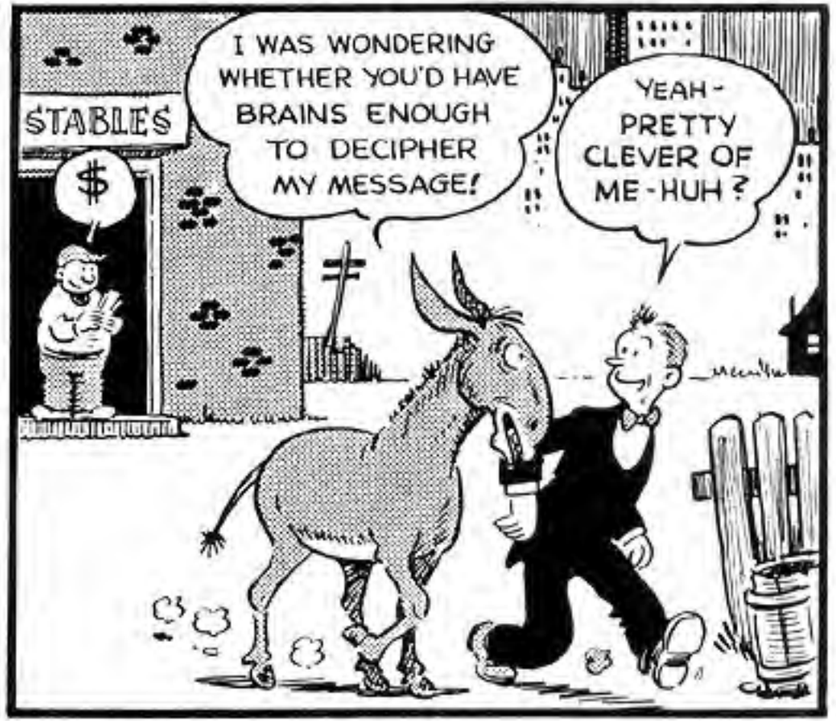

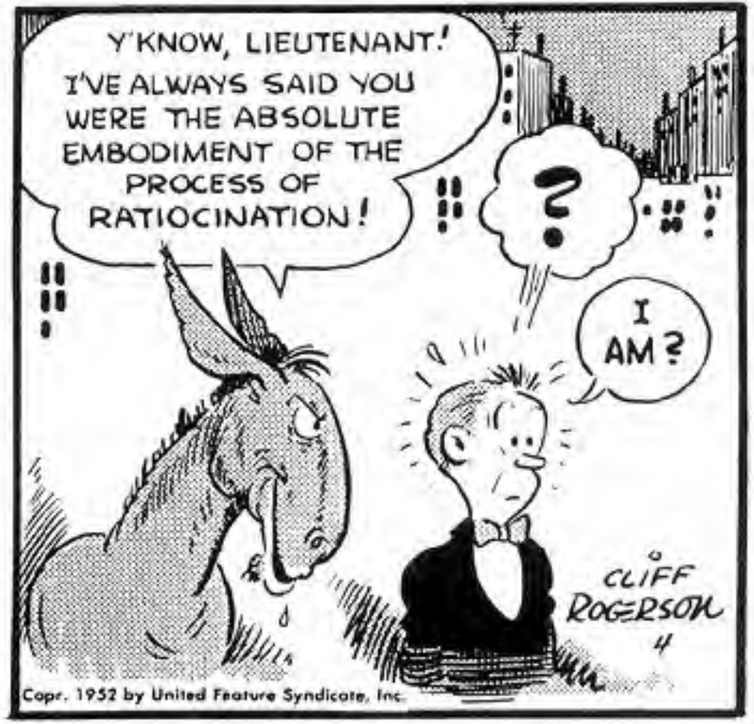

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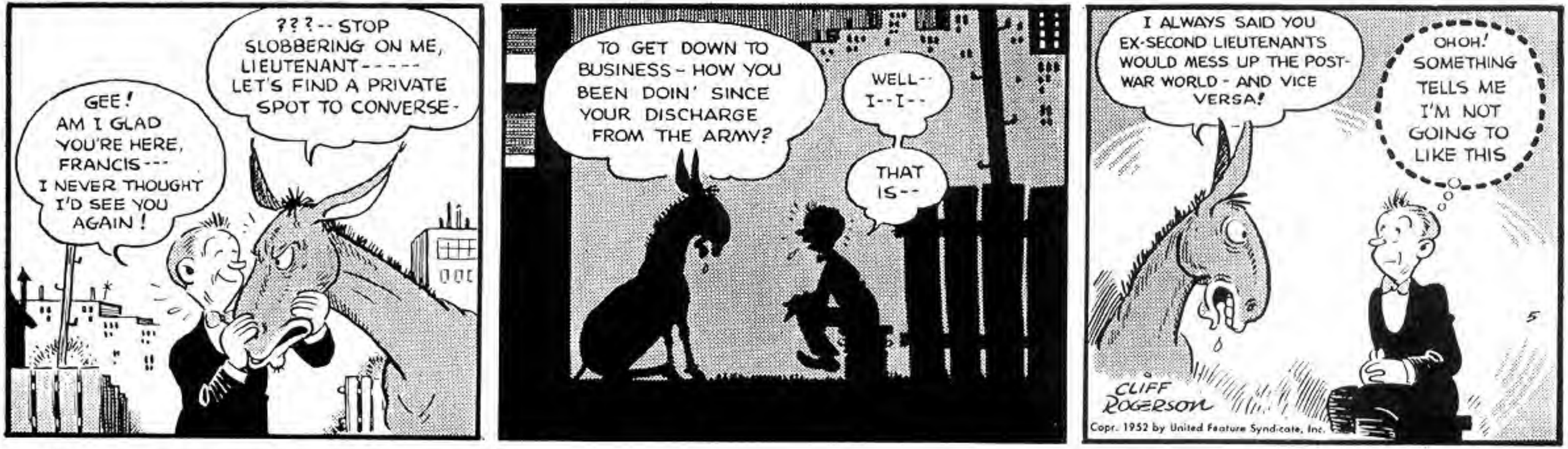

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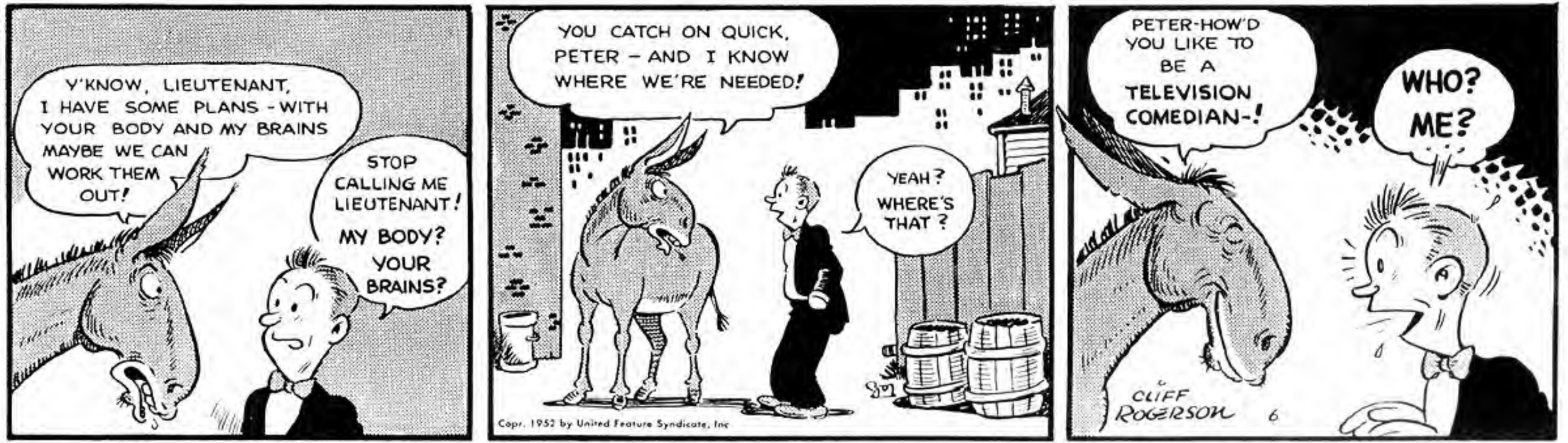

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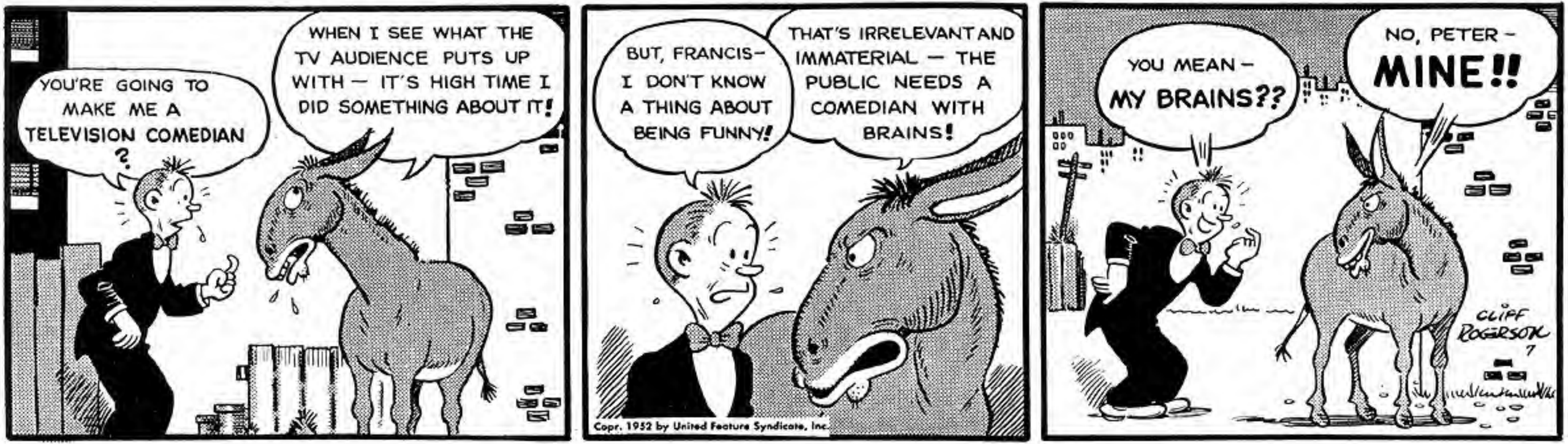

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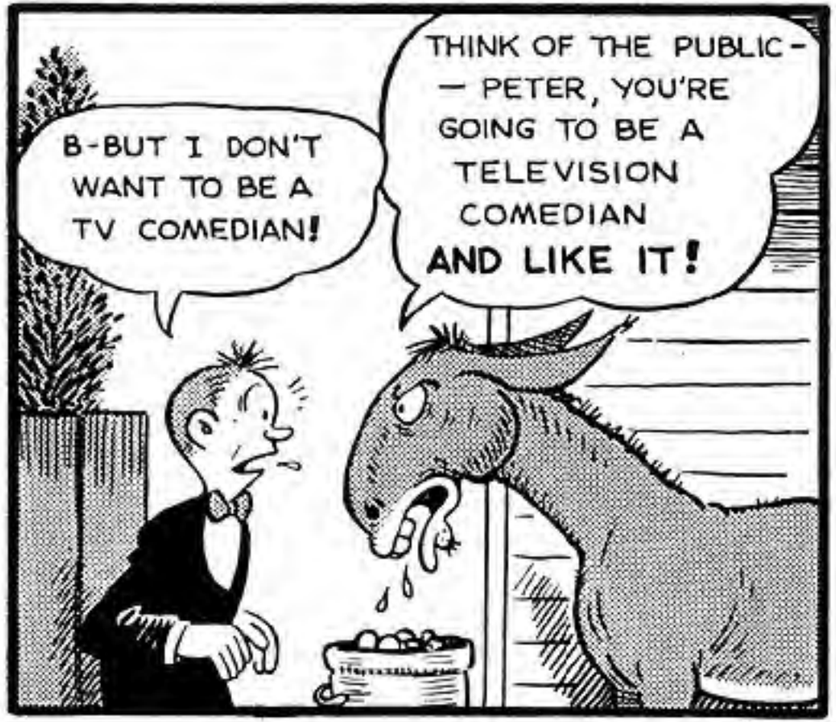

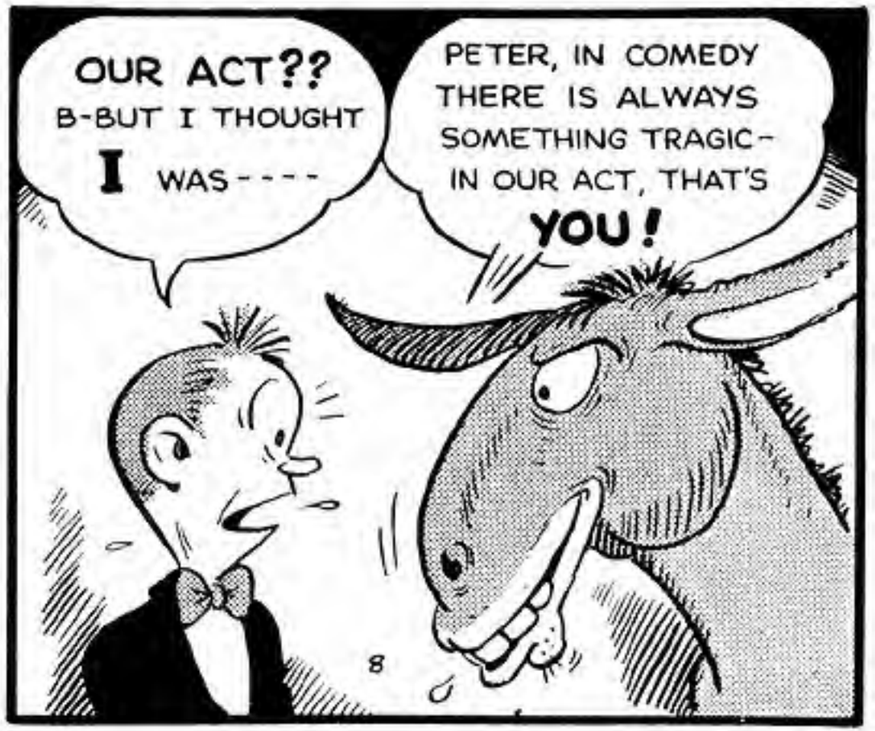

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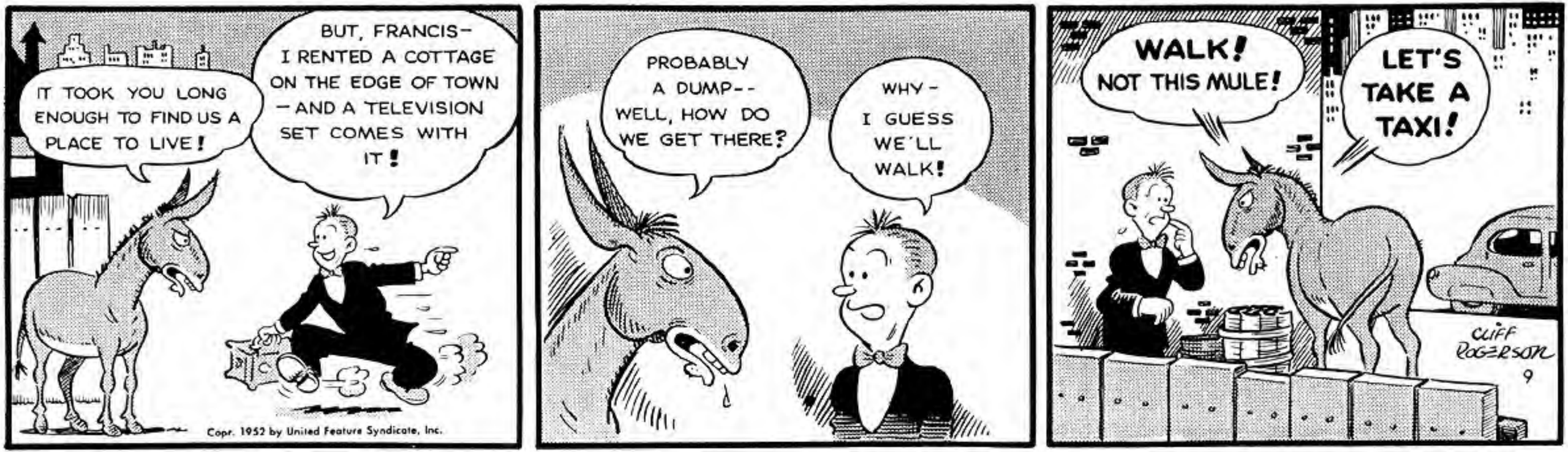

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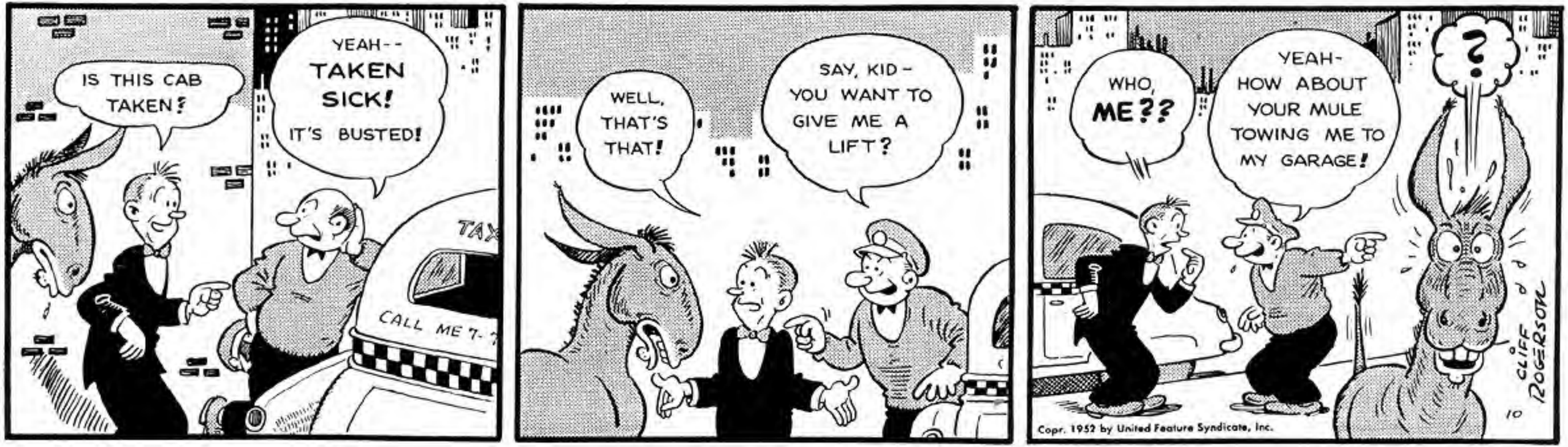

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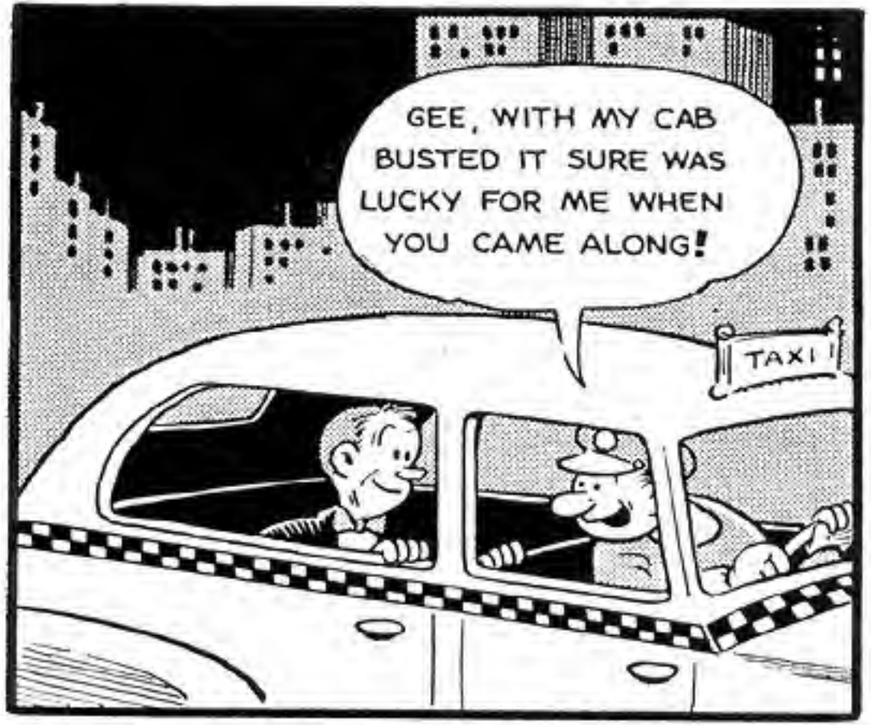

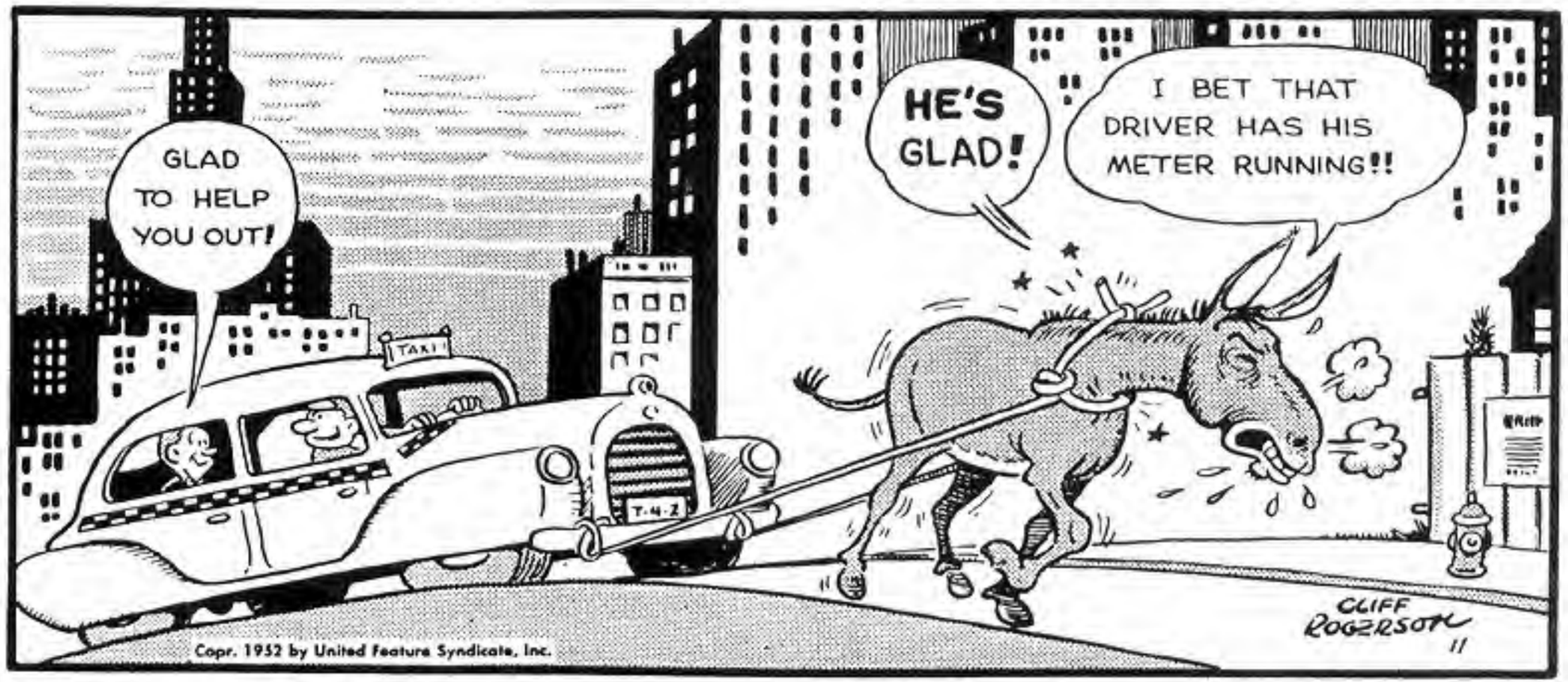

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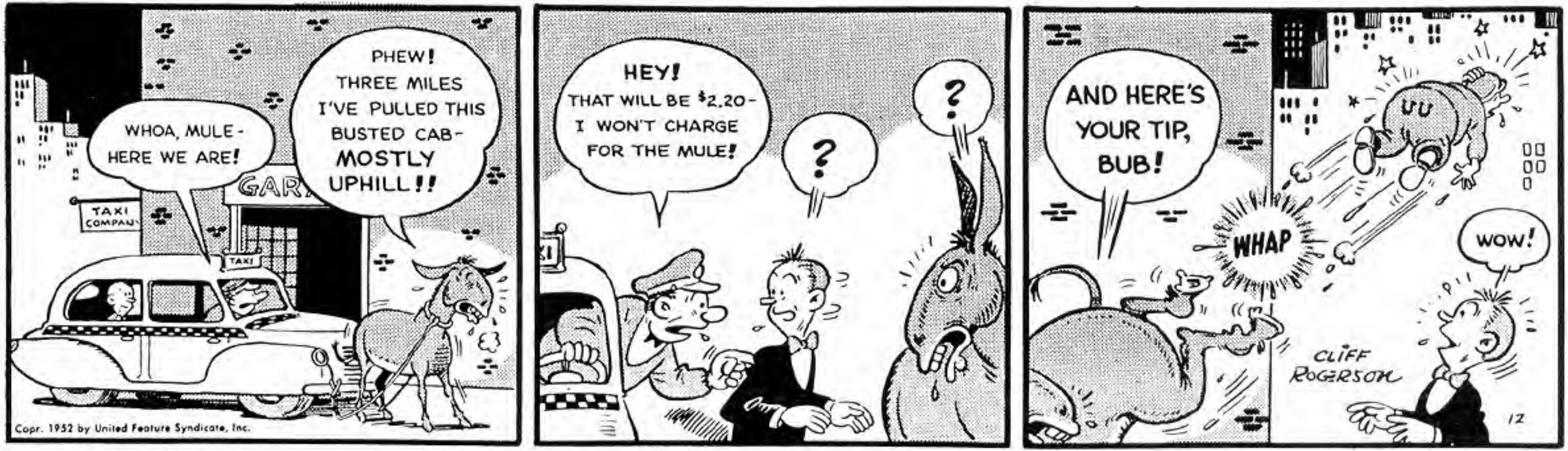

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FOR LATE COMERS- HERE'S OUR STORY TO DATE-

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Meet FRANCIS

THE TALKING MULE--
AS CANTANKEROUS AN ANIMAL AS EVER DREW BREATH- HE SPENT SEVEN YEARS IN THE REGULAR ARMY!

FRANCIS HAS SEEN EVERYTHING, DONE EVERYTHING TWICE AND DOESN'T LIKE IT!

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PETER STIRLING

EX-SECOND LOOEY, WHO MET FRANCIS OVERSEAS --- AND HASN'T BEEN THE SAME SINCE -

AN HONEST, SINCERE, DECENT YOUNG MAN HE WANTS ONLY TO BE LEFT ALONE!

FRANCIS AND PETER ARE TOGETHER AGAIN--THE MULE, WORRIED ABOUT THE GREAT AMERICAN TELEVISION AUDIENCE, HAS DECIDED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT - - - THE SOMETHING, A REALLY GOOD TV ACT!

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SO TUNE IN TOMORROW WHEN WE WILL TAKE UP OUR STORY AT THE COTTAGE WHERE FRANCIS IS TEACHING PETER TO BE A TV COMEDIAN

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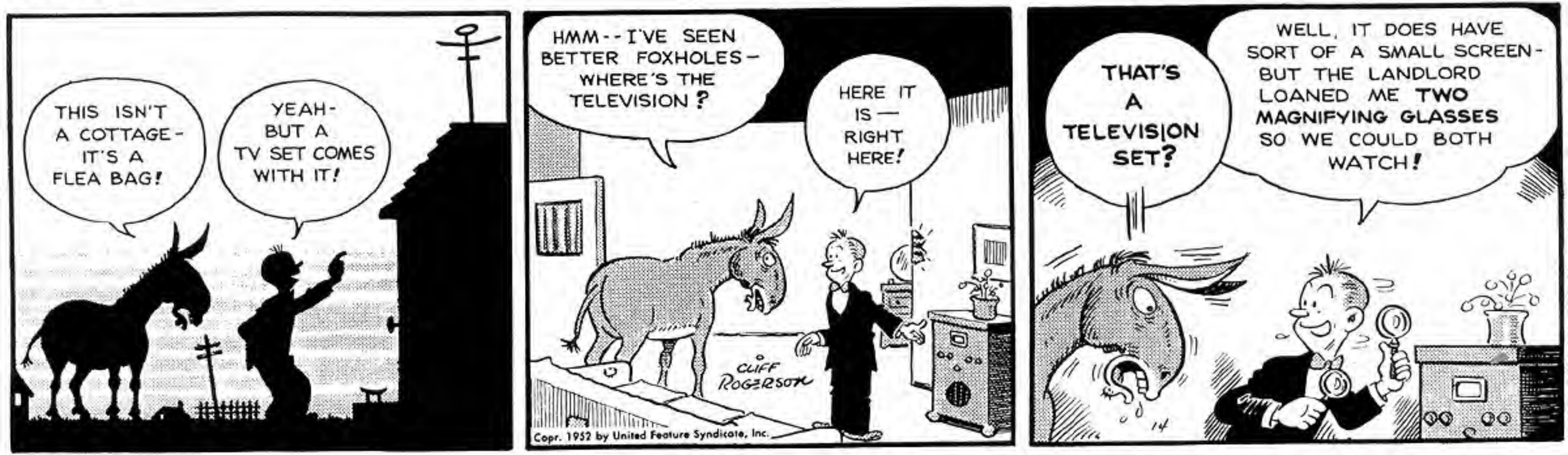

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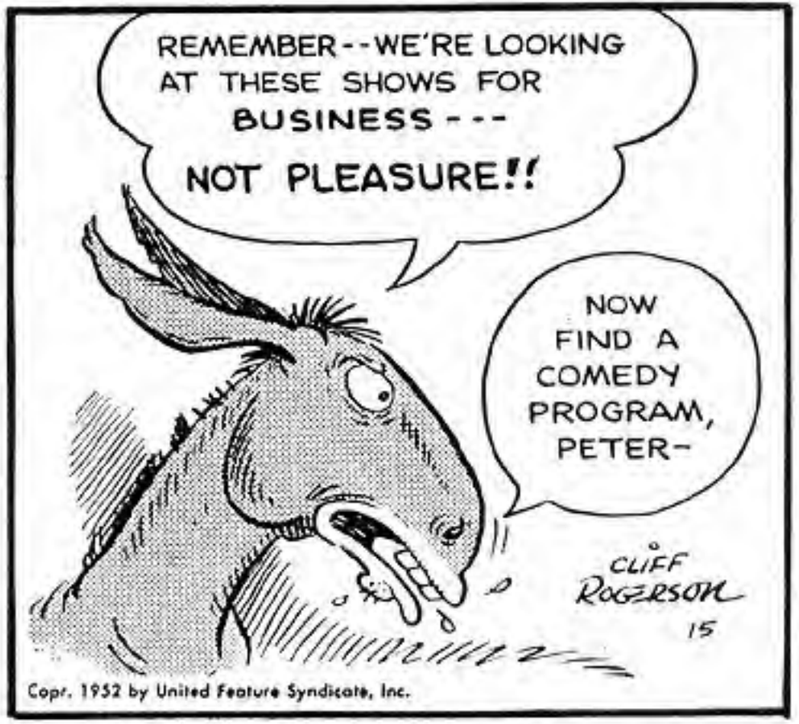

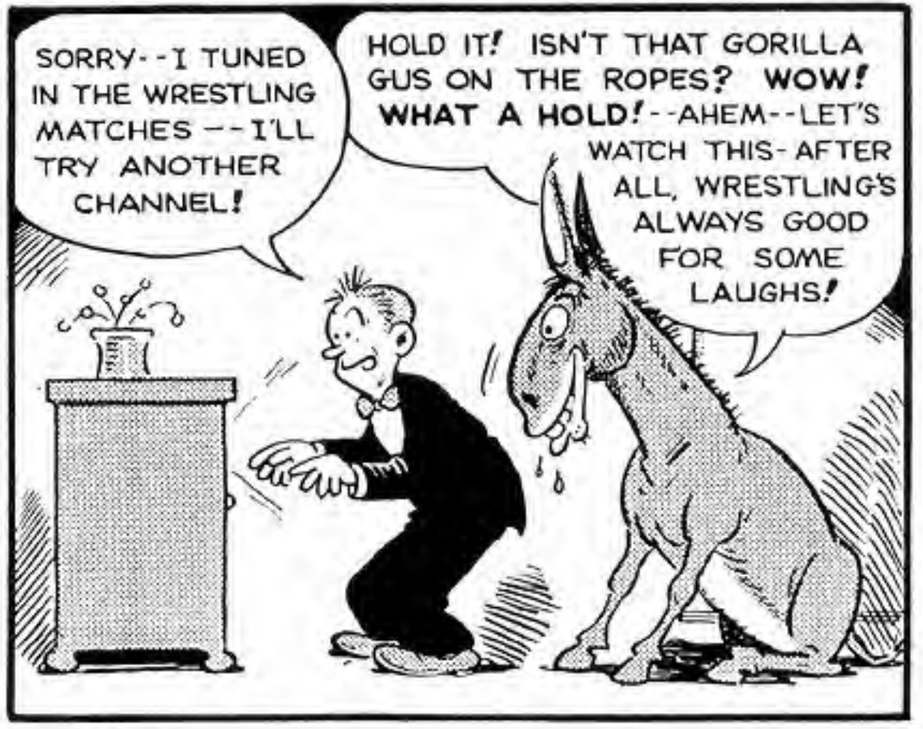

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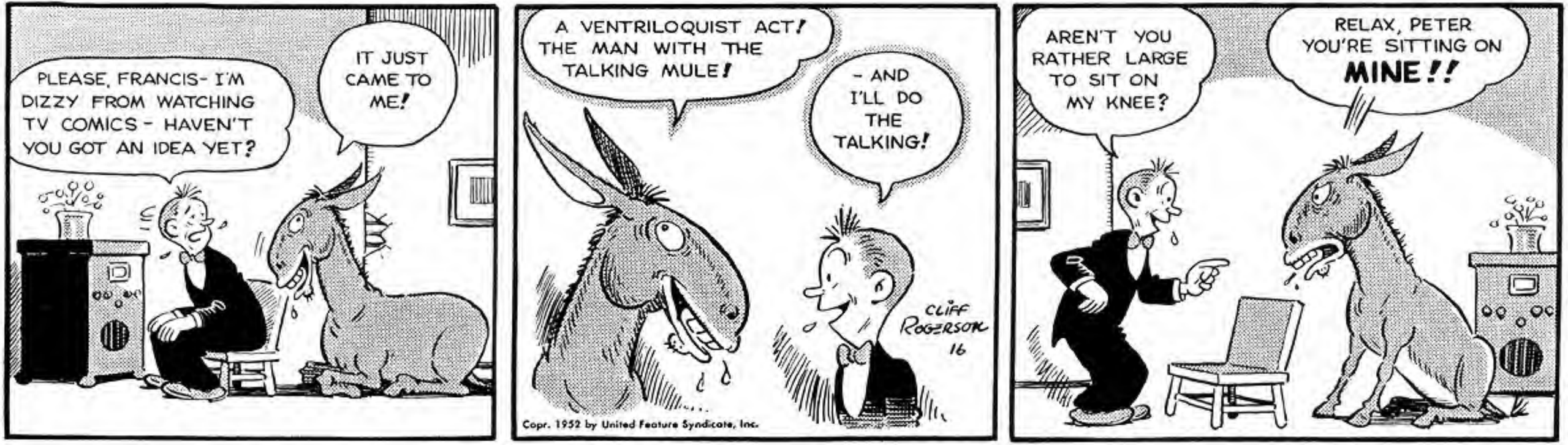

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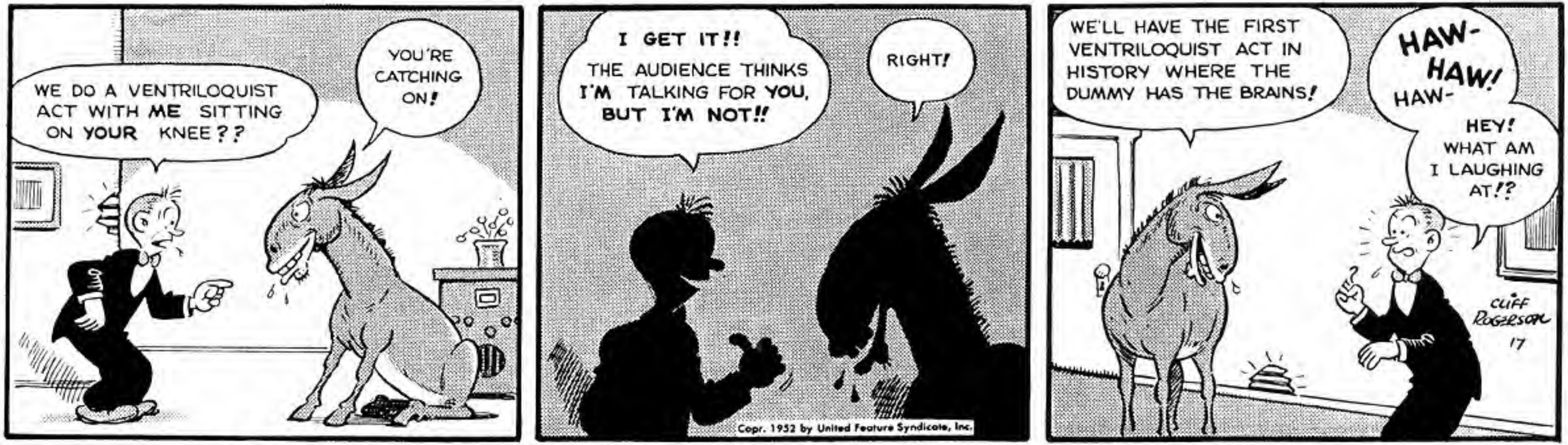

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